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Dear Mr. Taylor;

The South Naknek Village Council is opposed to the Williams Port – Pile Bay Corridor because of increased public impact on our fragile environment of the Lake Iliamna and streams and the impact on our salmon spawning grounds, Economically. the expansion of this corridor is much too expensive. These funds can be better spent elsewhere.

The Village Council however supports the Chignik Corridor development. Economically this makes perfect sense since; it will consolidate the three communities using one airfield and one landfill in addition to trade and commerce. This plan is environmentally sound whereby the hauling of fuel oil products would be transported over land rather than water.

Finally, we ask you to carefully consider all plans from a financial point of view. For example, the Williams Port Corridor will not make the cost of goods any lass than what it is now, brought in by air. It is far cheaper to transport gill-netter boats by water transportion into the Bristol Bay area than through the Williams Port Corridor, if not considering the cost of the corridor it is far easier and less complicated to use our present transportation system than for the State to pay for this corridor that will not provide any improvements that already exist.

We are also opposed to the South Naknek - Naknek proposed bridge spanning the Naknek River, Again, this does not make financial and economic sense.

Sincerely,

Donald F. Nielsen

South Naknek Village Council, President

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